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Kentucky Utilities' Haefling Generating Station Joins KY EXCEL KU facility environmental leader for the state

FRANKFORT, Ky. (March 1, 2013)—LG&E and KU Energy LLC's Haefling Generating Station in Fayette County has joined the Kentucky Department for Environmental Protection's (DEP) environmental leadership program, KY EXCEL, as a Master member – the program's highest level. KY EXCEL recognizes public, corporate and private sector organizations that act to improve Kentucky's diverse and unique environment through environmental leadership.

"The Department for Environmental Protection is pleased to have the Kentucky Utilities Company–Haefling Generating Station join the KY EXCEL program at the Master level," said Aaron Keatley, deputy commissioner of DEP and acting director of the Division of Compliance Assistance. "LG&E and KU Energy LLC continue to seek and implement opportunities that improve Kentucky's environment through voluntary activities at their facilities. We support these efforts and congratulate the facility for its membership in the program."

Headquartered in Louisville, LG&E and KU Energy LLC owns and operates Louisville Gas and Electric Co. (LG&E), a regulated utility that serves 326,000 natural gas and 401,000 electric customers in Louisville and 16 surrounding counties, and Kentucky Utilities Co. (KU), a regulated electric utility in Lexington that serves 536,000 customers in 77 Kentucky counties and five counties in Virginia. Over the years since the company first had a facility join KY

EXCEL in 2007, 11 more LG&E and KU Energy LLC facilities have joined the environmental leadership program.

""LG&E and KU Energy LLC is honored to have another facility accepted into the KY EXCEL program at the Master level," said Sarah Sheetz, senior environmental engineer for the company. "KY EXCEL is a great example of an effective voluntary program intended to encourage 'homegrown' environmental stewardship. Since we first joined the program, we have been able to highlight over 30 beneficial projects, bringing heightened awareness of the benefits of recycling, promoting energy conservation, improving our land, supporting research and helping struggling species. Our power plant stacks have hosted the birth of over 40 Peregrine Falcon chicks, and we have hopes for many more."

The five environmental projects chosen by Kentucky Utilities Company—Haefling Generating Station are to construct roosts for a colony of Indiana bats; offer a home energy analysis program; purchase four natural gas-powered utility service trucks; have a refrigerator-and-freezer recycling program and administer a carpooling program.

Launched by DEP in 2006, KY EXCEL is a voluntary program open to any individual, organization, community or business to improve and protect Kentucky's environment above and beyond the state's environmental requirements. To learn more, visit http://www.dca.ky.gov/kyexcel/ or call the Division of Compliance Assistance toll-free at 800-926-8111.

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